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TO SECSTATE WASHDC IMMEDIATE 5716

INFO AMEMBASSY LIBREVILLE IMMEDIATE

C O N F I D E N T I A L YAOUNDE 1463

E.O.: 11652: GDS

TAGS: OVIP (DAVIS, NATHANIEL) PFOR, XA

SUBJ: TRAVEL OF ASSISTANT SECRETARY DAVIS

REF: STATE 99267

1. WE HAVE CHECKED AND RECHECKED WITH CAMEROON AIRLINES AND UTA OFFICES TO CONFIRM THAT FLIGHTS UT 768 AND UY 743 CONTINUE TO EXIST AND ARE EXPECTED TO FLY AS SCHEDULED MAY 16 AND 18, RESPECTIVELY.

2. UT 768 DOES NOT RPT NOT HAVE PASSENGER CARRYING RIGHTS BETWEEN LIBREVILLE AND DOUALA, BUT GURC DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF CIVIL AVIATION INFORMS US THAT EXCEPTIONS CAN BE MADE FOR PASSENGERS TO BE CARRIED ON THIS FLIGHT. PROCEDURE IS TO OBTAIN AT PLACE OF EMBARCATION SPECIAL PERMISSION TO BOARD FOR LANDING AT DOUALA. NO RPT NO SPECIAL PERMISSION NEEDED AT DEBARCATION END. PERMISSION WOULD THUS HAVE TO BE OBTAINED FROM GABONESE GOVT IN LIBREVILLE.

3. IF FOR SOME REASON IT PROVES IMPOSSIBLE FOR LIBREVILLE TO OBTAIN PERMISSION FOR ASSISTANT SECRETARY TO TRAVEL LIBREVILLE-DOUALA VIA UT 768, AND WE HAVE SUFFICIENT ADVANCE NOTICE, EMBASSY CAN ARRANGE CHARTER FOR MORNING MAY 16 FROM DOUALA TO YAOUNDE (AT COST OF ABOUT DOLS. 150). ANOTHER ALTERNATIVE WOULD BE FOR EMBASSY LIBREVILLE TO ARRANGE CHARTER FROM LIBREVILLE TO DOUALA OR, BETTER STILL, DIRECT TO YAOUNDE. COST OF COURSE WOULD BE HIGHER.

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